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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON, D. C. 20250



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Honorable Donald Regan Secretary of Treasury Washington, D.C. 20220

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Sometimes I have the feeling that we are wearing on the patience of you and other members of the Cabinet when we constantly complain about the effects of the agricultural subsidies of the EEC.

We are concerned because we are being hurt so badly. Here's another example:

French Wheat Sales to USSR

EEC Export Subsidy ----- \$1.96

Net Approximate Price Paid by USSR ----- \$3.24

U.S. Wheat (Soft Red Winter)

CIF Rotterdam (No subsidy) ----- \$3.51

Please note that the French have sold the USSR around 1 million tons of wheat since October 1. We have sold none.

The subsidy on these sales is roughly two-thirds the price our farmers are currently receiving for their wheat, a fact they resent.

Sincerely,

John ... block Secretary

cc: All SIG Members

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